What a great morning it was last Tuesday when we hosted a visit from the participants of the Newcastle Variety Bash. A special thanks to Alison Abbo, Lisa Rankmore, Janelle Hollman, Grant Milgate, Melanie Milgate, Ros Milgate, Kevin Webber, and Kevin Handsaker who came and helped with the breakfast. A special thanks to the staff of Bourke PS who were out of bed a little earlier than normal to help with the morning. It was great to see all the wonderful cars and costumes and the students were also lucky enough to watch a wonderful and funny performance by the magician ‘Super Hubert’. Have a great week Miss Milgate.

Week 5 already! This short term is disappearing quickly with only 5 weeks left in the term. Thank you to Miss Milgate for organising the Variety Bash visit last week. The students had a wonderful time exploring all the cars and the characters. Thank you also to the parents, staff and community members who helped cook breakfast for our visitors. Thank you to Ms Gordon-Poole for organising the Outback Challenge last week. The students had a great day in the rain and mud (not sure about the adults though). Thank you also to the parents, staff and community members who helped to ensure the day was successful. Congratulations to all students who competed in the District X-Country last Friday at Engonia. All students did extremely well and should be proud of their efforts. Regional X-Country notes will be out this week.

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Well done to all 4 rugby league teams (boys & girls) who competed at the Outback Challenge last week. Everyone played well and displayed great sportsmanship.

I hope everyone enjoys the Mid-term break this weekend (Friday 31st May & Monday 3rd June). What a great opportunity to relax and spend the weekend at home.

Cheers Kylie Pennell

Attendace Goal

Miss Barsby & The MC

Week 4 OUR GOAL
90% 91%
**Messages**

- Any parents/carers or community members wanting the BPS newsletter emailed to them weekly please contact the school.
- Are your details up to date?
  - Have you moved or changed phone numbers? Please inform the front office with any changes in your living situation so we can contact you if the need arises.
- Bourke Public School Ties - School ties are For Sale for $25 each. Please ask at the front office if you would like to purchase one.
- Premiers Reading Challenge
  - The competition starts now and finishes on the 1st of September! Students will receive an award for their effort and this year BPS is going to award a prize for the student who reads the most books!!! So please enter and enjoy some reading.
- Mobile Climbing Wall – Monday 24th June.
- BPS NAIDOC Week – 24th to 28th June.
- Music-a-viva – Monday 26th June.
- Crazy Hair Day – Friday 28th June.
- Last day of Term 2 - Friday 28th June.

**KINDERGARTEN**

**Miss Heaney**

KH had a huge week last week. We loved having the Variety Bash at our school and learnt lots about our teeth during a special teeth talk. We can’t believe it is week 5 already. Home readers went home at the end of the last week, it is important students are reading the provided book and returning each Friday for a new one. This week we are learning to tell the time and are working really hard on our independent writing. Have a good week. Miss Heaney 😊

**STAGE 1**

**Miss Bartley**

Wow what a big week we have had! 1N loved seeing the Variety Bash come to our school and really enjoyed all the treats that we received from them. In Science 1N have been learning about the definition of a vehicle and investigated the different sorts of transport vehicles. In Technology we finished using a program called ‘Pow’ on our ipads to create photo frames for the pictures we took. Everyone really enjoyed learning a new skill and the results were fantastic!! Cheers Miss B!

**Mrs Hardy**

Hi everyone and here we are… week 5 at B.P.S! Wow the term is getting away from us. Last week we were all lucky enough to see the amazing and different cars from the Variety Bash. A huge thank you to Miss Milgate for all her efforts and organisation in bringing them to our school. The ‘Scooby Doo’ van and the ‘Harry Potter’ car were two of 1H’s favourites. In Literacy we had some great spelling test results and in Numeracy we built our very own 3D cubes. 1H hope you have a brilliant week! Cheers - Mrs Hardy~

**STAGE 1 AP**

**Miss Budd**

Last week KB enjoyed seeing all the Variety Bash cars and listening to the oral health talk from Royal Far West. KB students have been working hard on their reading and showing great results. This week in Maths we will be looking at time and halves and in English will be working hard on our independent writing. Have a wonderful week.

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL NEWS**

**Early Stage 1 AP - Miss Budd**

Congratulations to all the students who played in the Outback Challenge. You all displayed great sportsmanship. Well done to Kindergarten on their attendance. Last week was our closest day to getting 100% across the stage. Remember to keep coming to school on time everyday as there is always so much fun and exciting things to learn. Homereaders went home on Friday. It is important that we practise reading every night and returning the books at the end of the week.

**Stage 1 AP - Miss Bartley**

Everyone really enjoyed our visit from the Vareity Bash cars and most of Stage 1 believed that the Scooby Doo car was the best car that came to our school. Congratulations to all those students who played in the Outback Challenge!

Home readers went out last week, but remember to hand them in on Thursday so books can be changed for the mid-term break that’s coming our way!! Cheers Miss B

**P&C NEWS**

We now have hot food at the canteen for Term 2 & 3.

Last week’s Canteen award goes to ‘Eliza Johnson ’ for always using beautiful manners.

Uniforms in stock now

SPECIAL ALL WEEK AT RECESS & LUNCH Macaroni Cheese $3.00

Hot food/drinks available at Recess & Lunch

**AEO Caught being good Awards in Week 4**

- Montana Boney
- Hunter Flick
**STAGE 2**

**Mrs Gaukroger**
Congratulations to the debating team on an excellent effort for their first debate against Broken Hill Primary! They had a challenging time convincing the audience that fast food should be in canteens! Well done to all of the District Cross country athletes! This week home readers start so please enjoy reading at home. Have a great Mid term break!

**Stage 2 AP - Mr Hardy**
Half the way through term 2 already. A huge congratulations to all students in stage two for their outstanding attendance this term. It was great to see all the students participating in the Outback Challenge, all students represented our school with pride. Well done to all the students that travelled to Engonia for the District Cross country. All students ran extremely well. Students that made it to regional will receive their note in the next week.

**Stage 3 AP - Mr Driscoll**
Welcome to week 5 everyone. What a busy week we all had last week with the Variety Bash visiting us and the annual Outback Challenge. Congratulations to all students who participated in the event. It was an excitement packed day, especially the semi finals and finals. All students played a wonderful game and displayed excellent sportsmanship. Well done! A reminder that our Stage 2/3 cupcake fundraiser is this Thursday to raise money for our up coming excursion to Sydney. Cupcakes will be $1 and $2. If parents would like to donate cupcakes for selling that would be very much appreciated 😊

**STAGE 3**

**Miss Mowbray**
Welcome to Week 5! Well done to the students who participated in both the Outback Challenge and the District Cross Country last week! This week 2M Literacy continue to learn about different types of poetry and 2M Numeracy are focussing on 2D Shapes and Angles. Have a fantastic Mid-Term Break! Miss M 😊

**Mr Marshall**
Last week was another very enjoyable week. We enjoyed seeing all the colourful cars from the Variety Bash, had a great time playing footy in the Outback Challenge, and then finished with District Cross Country at Engonia with some outstanding results! Well done to all our students that participated in these events. I hope everyone is looking forward to the Mid-term break. Make sure you stay safe. Mr Marshall.

**Ms Topalov**
Congratulations to my fantastic class 2T! Topsville has done it again, winning our fourth Attendance Award! We had a super week of activities as well! The Variety Bash Breakfast on Tuesday morning was great fun. There were lots of crazy cars in the back playground and many funny costumes, to entertain the children. Wednesday was also wonderful with the Outback Challenge. MsT & 2T

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS - NEWS**

**Create Opportunities**

2013 MERIT SYSTEM AWARDS

Bronze
Paige Johnson
Braith Kelly
Tayissa Dixon
Kayle McKellar
Molly Harris

Silver
Tim Abbo
Jordan Kane
Kiara Thompson
Dominic Abbo
Lekeisha Orcher

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Mrs Douglas
Last week was a busy one as usual. On Tuesday morning we cooked up a storm to feed all our hungry visitors from the Variety Club whilst all the students had a great time marveling at all the shiny cars on display. On Wednesday, lots of students represented Bourke Public School in the Outback Challenge and got a good soaking in the process! On Friday a number of students went to Engonia to represent the school at district cross country. Well done to those all those participants. Have a great week. Mrs Douglas

**Stage 3**

**Miss Dorrington**
Last week we had another very busy few days. The students loved the wonderful cars that arrived at school with the Variety Bash. Then the following day we had the Outback Challenge - congratulations to all who played in the cold and wet conditions. It was lovely to then have the rain although it prevented us from playing outdoors. Friday saw the Cross Country students travel to Engonia - there is bound to be some wonderful results. Cheers Miss D

**Ms Griffths Kitchen & Garden**
Wow! You should see the garden after the much needed wonderful rain last week. We are harvesting lots of beautiful vegetables at the moment including broccoli, spinach, silver beet, snow peas, rocket, basil, carrots, spring onions and different herbs. Our chickens are starting to lay eggs and we will be using them in our cooking in the next few weeks.

**Bourke Public School’s Motto for 2013**

‘Create Opportunities’
LC & MC CLASSES

Miss Barsby
The M.C. has had another amazing week! We loved seeing all the fantastic cars at the Variety Bash – especially Scooby Doo! This week in theme we are looking at our families, making family trees and a photo frame. It would be great if we could have some photos of our family to use in art works and discussions. This week is our infants assembly, it would be lovely to see our family there.
Have a great week!

Miss Bradley
Wow, Week Five already!!
The boys had a great time last week, seeing all the cars in the Variety Bash and meeting Super Hubert on Tuesday, playing in the cold and mud at the Outback challenge on Wednesday while still managing to do lots of work!
The boys are excited about how quickly our indoor herb garden is growing – why not come in and have a look!
Remember to keep collecting those bottle tops and send them in for us!

Other News

Congratulations to the girls football team for making it to the final at the Outback Challenge. Thank you to Dudley Dennis and Mark Hembrow for helping run the team at the Outback Challenge. Also thank you to Fiona Rankmore and Tracey Rankmore for helping train the Girls teams prior to the event.

Bluey Star of the Week
2T- Tara Brookman
2G- Myah-Rose Driscoll
2M- Lacey Davis
3D- Mason Orcher
3S- Shakayla Dennis
3M- Mervyn Powell
LC- Ben Vincent

Positive Behaviour for Learning
Bourke Public School’s Expectations are: Be Proud, Be Safe & Be Respectful